

CLAIMS

1. An in-vivo sensing device comprising:
a first part having a first specific gravity; and
a second part having a second specific gravity, wherein the first part and the second
5 part are detachable.
2. The in-vivo sensing device according to claim 1 wherein the first specific gravity is greater than the second specific gravity.
3. The in-vivo sensing device according to claim 1 wherein the second specific gravity is less than the specific gravity of a bodily fluid within a body lumen.
- 10 4. The in-vivo sensing device according to claim 1 comprising an imager and an illumination source.
5. The in-vivo sensing device according to claim 1 comprising a timer.
6. The in-vivo sensing device according to claim 1 comprising a filament to temporarily attach the first part to the second part.
- 15 7. The in-vivo sensing device according to claim 6 wherein the filament is degradable.
8. The in-vivo device according to claim 1 comprising a heating element.
9. The in-vivo sensing device according to claim 1 comprising a magnet, to temporarily attach the first part and the second part by an electromagnetic force.
- 20 10. The in-vivo sensing device according to claim 1 wherein the first part comprises a photodiode switch.
11. The in-vivo sensing device according to claim 1 wherein the first part comprises a power source.

12. The in-vivo device according to claim 1 wherein the first part at least partially covers a viewing window of the second part.
13. The in-vivo device according to claim 1 wherein the first part is configured to detach in-vivo.
- 5 14. The in-vivo device according to claim 1 comprising a receiver for receiving a wireless signal.
15. A method for in-vivo sensing comprising:
inserting an in-vivo device into a body lumen comprising:
a floatable part; and
10 a non-floatable part wherein the floatable part is temporarily attached to the non-floatable part;
detaching the non-floatable part from the floatable part; and
activating a component in the floatable part.
16. The method according to claim 15 wherein the body lumen contains a bulk
15 of liquid.
17. The method according to claim 16 wherein the device is weighted such that it favors a certain orientation.
18. The method according to claim 15 comprising attaching the floatable part to the non-floatable part by an electromagnetic force.
- 20 19. The method according to claim 18 comprising changing the direction of the electromagnetic force.
20. The method according to claim 15 comprising fastening the non-floatable part to the floatable part.

21. The method according to claim 15 comprising activating a component in the non-floatable part.
22. The method according to claim 15 wherein the component is an imager.
23. The method according to claim 15 comprising detecting arrival of the device
5 to the cecum.
24. A method for detaching in-vivo a non-floatable part from an in-vivo sensing device, the method comprising:
inserting the in-vivo device into a body lumen, the in-vivo device comprising:
a floatable part; and a non-floatable part;
10 sensing a parameter; and
detaching the non-floatable part from the floatable part.
25. The method according to claim 24 wherein the floatable part and the non-floatable part are attached with a filament.
26. The method according to claim 24 wherein the filament is heat sensitive.
- 15 27. The method according to claim 24 wherein the parameter is time sensed by a timer.
28. The method according to claim 24 wherein the parameter is motion sensed by a motion detector.
29. The method according to claim 24 comprising melting a filament attaching the
20 floatable part to the non-floatable part.
30. The method according to claim 24 wherein the detaching is initiated by a signal external to the in-vivo sensing device.

31. A system for in-vivo sensing comprising:
an in-vivo sensing device comprising:
a first part having a first specific gravity;
a second part having a second specific gravity, wherein the first part and the second
5 part are temporarily attached in-vivo; and
an external receiver to receive wireless signals from the in-vivo device.
32. The system according to claim 31 comprising an in-vivo imager.
33. The system according to claim 31 wherein the external receiver receives
image data via an RF channel.
- 10 34. The system according to claim 31 comprising an external transmitter for
transmitting signals to the in-vivo device.
35. The system according to claim 34 wherein the external transmitter is an
ultrasound transmitter.
36. The system according to claim 34 wherein the external transmitter is a RF
15 transmitter.
37. The system according to claim 31 comprising a display to display sensed
data from the in-vivo sensing device.